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Serial No. : 09/665,899
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SIR:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 18, 2002, the Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks. The Applicants respectfully assert that the Requested Amendments shown below should be entered because they place the application in condition for allowance and do not raise new issues.

REQUESTED AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice amended) A fuel cell comprising:
a joint body produced by interposing an electrolyte member between a pair of
electrodes;
a separator which holds the joint body;
a plurality of projections projecting from a bottom of the separator;